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(THIS IS THE THIRD OF A SERIES OF THREE TELEGRAMS TO
SECRETARY KISSINGER FROM AMBASSADOR SCHMIDT)

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SUBJECT: III - CONSULTATION

1. AS A RESULT OF REFLECTION ON THE CHIEFS OF MISSION
CONFERENCE AND CRITICISMS BY BOTH EC/NATO MEMBERS
AND THE UNITED STATES OF EACH OTHER FOR LACK OF CON-
SULTATION, I AM MORE CONVINCED THAN EVER THAT THE
OVERRIDING NEED IS FOR A VEHICLE OR INSTITUTION
WHICH WILL MAKE CONSULTATION AUTOMATIC AND CONTINUOUS.

2. INITIATIVES IN THIS REGARD CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO
COME FROM WESTERN EUROPE OR CANADA. SUCH PROPOSALS
CAN COME ONLY FROM THE UNITED STATES, THE POST-WAR
LEADER OF THE WEST AND THE STRONGEST MEMBER OF THE NATO
ALLIANCE. THE PERIOD DURING WHICH BOTH THE EC AND
NATO ARE STRUGGLING WITH DOCUMENTS TO DEFINE THEIR
FUTURE RELATIONSHIPS WITH NORTH AMERICA MAY PROVIDE
A STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITY FOR NEW UNITED STATES
INITIATIVES TOWARD IMPROVED CONSULTATION.

3. MINDFUL OF YOUR OCTOBER 24 TELEGRAM AND SUBSEQUENT
REQUESTS FOR IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM THE FIELD, I OFFER
THE FOLLOWING:

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THE FORMATION OF AN ATLANTIC COUNCIL TO BE
COMPOSED OF:

- A. CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE EC
- B. PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION
- C. SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATO
- D. SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES
- E. VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

(1) CONSIDERATION MIGHT BE GIVEN TO ADDING THE
SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OECD WHEN THE NATURE OF THE
AGENDA PERMITTED AND ON OCCASION, THE SECRETARY OF
STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OF CANADA.

(2) THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE COUNCIL WOULD ROTATE EVERY
SIX MONTHS.

(3) THE COUNCIL WOULD MEET ON THE FIRST DAY OF EACH
SECOND MONTH FOR AS LONG A PERIOD AS NECESSARY TO DEAL
WITH MATTERS ON THE AGENDA FOR CONSULTATION

(4) ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA WOULD BE SUBMITTED BY INDIVIDUAL
GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND WOULD
INCLUDE ALL SERIOUS MATTERS AFFECTING THE SECURITY
AND PROSPERITY OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES.

(5) THE PURPOSE OF THE COUNCIL WOULD BE TO RECOMMEND
PREVENTIVE ACTION ON EMERGING PROBLEMS AND SUGGEST
REMEDIAL ACTION FOR EXISTING PROBLEMS, INCLUDING THOSE
ARISING OUTSIDE NATO TERRITORY.

4. THE UPGRADING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY FROM
AN ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBER NATO PARLIAMENTARIANS LASTING
SEVERAL DAYS, TO A CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY WHICH WOULD
MEET AT LEAST FOUR TIMES A YEAR;

A. THE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY
WOULD BE APPOINTED BY THEIR NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS IN
THE RATIO OF ONE PER 2,000,000 POPULATION OR LESS.
(THE POPULATION OF THE NATO COUNTRIES IN JUNE 1973 WAS
530,000,000 AND THE NUMBER OF DELEGATES WOULD FALL BE-
TWEEN 265 AND 280. ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION COULD BE
FURTHER REFINED BY APPLYING A FACTOR OF PER CAPITA GNP.);

B. THE DELEGATES WOULD BE APPOINTED FROM THE MOST
ABLE AND EXPERIENCED MEN IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN EACH OF
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THE NATO COUNTRIES AND WOULD INCLUDE MANY ELDER STATES-MEN;THEY WOULD
SERVE FULL-TIME AND BE WELL COMPENSATED
BY SALARY AND EXPENSES;

C. THE NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY WOULD RECEIVE
QUARTERLY REPORTS FROM THE (1) CHAIRMAN OF THE ATLANTIC
COUNCIL, (2) SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATO, (3) SACEUR,
(4) SECRETARY GENERAL OF OECD, AND (5) DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF IMF WHICH WOULD BE CONSIDERED BY THE POLITICAL,

ECONOMIC, MILITARY AND CULTURAL COMMITTEES OF THE ASSEMBLY, AND BE THEN DEBATED IN PLENARY SESSION;

D. THE NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY WOULD HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF FIXING THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL BUDGET OF NATO AND ASSIGNING TO EACH OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES THEIR PROPER SHARE OF SUCH BUDGET. AN ARTICLE WOULD BE ADDED TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY BY WHICH EACH MEMBER COUNTRY WOULD AGREE TO PROVIDE ANNUALLY THE AMOUNT REQUISITIONED BY THE NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY, FOLLOWING OPPORTUNITY FOR APPEAL.

E. THE NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY WILL HAVE THE POWER TO CREATE AND MANAGE AN INTERNATIONAL ATLANTIC CURRENCY TO BE CALLED A "FED". THIS CURRENCY SHALL HAVE THE TRUE QUALITIES OF MONEY WHICH ARE (1) A STABLE MEDIUM OF EXCHANGE; (2) A MEASURE OF VALUE; AND (3) A STOREHOUSE OF VALUE. NONE OF THE ATLANTIC CURRENCIES HAVE THESE QUALITIES AT PRESENT, AS A RESULT OF 40 YEARS OF INFLATING, AND THIS DEFICIENCY PROVIDES A MAJOR REASON FOR THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND MORAL INSTABILITY WITHIN THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY. ALL TRADE BETWEEN THE MEMBER COUNTRIES WILL BE CONDUCTED IN "FEDS". THE CURRENCIES OF ALL MEMB*R COUNTRIES WILL BE CONVERTIBLE INTO "FEDS" AT FIXED RATES OF EXCHANGE**

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